

Malawi

Importance of Tithe

One hundred percent of affiliate tithe is transferred to Habitat national organizations to support the mission of serving families in need of shelter. This tithe revenue is generally unrestricted once it arrives in the country, giving national organizations the flexibility to use the funds as needed. Tithe donations are often the most significant – and sometimes the only – source of unrestricted funding for national organizations because most other donors fund specific projects. As U.S. affiliates know, unrestricted funding is difficult to raise but critical for supporting day-to-day operations.

Tithes from U.S. affiliates also often provide the seed funding for pilot projects that have transformational impacts on families and communities—innovative projects that have few or no other sources of initial financial support. And tithe is often used to match funds for grants and to build the staff capacity of the organization.

Please consider multiplying the impact of Habitat Malawi by increasing your tithe. Below are examples of the work that could be done by Habitat Malawi with your increased support. These projects are in addition to the work described in the Habitat Malawi tithe country profile.

CURRENT PROJECTS IN THE PIPELINE

Reconstructing communities following the 2022 devastating floods in Malawi

Malawi was hit by Tropical Storms Ana and Gombe in January and March of 2022. Tropical Storm Ana affected 48,216 households out of which 22,364 households were displaced. Tropical Storm Gombe affected 35,383 households out of which 11,008 were displaced. Housing was the most affected social sector forcing and children and women were especially vulnerable. Habitat Malawi would like to construct at least 250 houses in the most affected communities for the most vulnerable families. The total funds needed are \$ 700,000 for this disaster response project.

Vulnerable group housing

Habitat Malawi plans to complete the construction of 4 houses underway and build 30 houses and pit latrines for orphans and vulnerable families with family members with disabilities in Salima, Mulanje and Lilongwe districts. These houses will be built with stabilized soil blocks, which are cost-effective, locally produced and environmentally friendly. Trainings on wills and inheritance rights, home maintenance and water and sanitation also will be provided for new homeowners. Total funds needed are \$350,000.

Matching fund opportunity for empowering rural communities through WASH interventions

With funding from BMZ, or German Federal Ministry of International Development, Habitat Malawi is providing access to safe drinking water in 24 communities through the rehabilitation of 14 dysfunctional boreholes and the construction of 10 new ones. To ensure sustainable borehole maintenance, water point committees and area mechanics will also be trained in the local communities. Sanitation will be improved through the construction of 210 sustainable latrines for particularly vulnerable families. Habitat Malawi is expected to provide matching funds for this three-year project. The matching funds are amounting to \$70,000.

Fiscal year 2022 requested tithe = \$750,000

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

FY2021 Actual Budget: \$1,349,395

FY2022 Projected Budget: \$1,565,769

FAMILIES SERVED FY21

New houses: 319

Water and Sanitation interventions: 15,520

Habitat Malawi tithe history

FY2019 \$778,280

FY2020 \$504,431

FY2021 \$570,103

Habitat Malawi's commitment to tithe partners:

Habitat Malawi will share its

- Quarterly newsletters
- Family success stories
- Social media updates

Average cost of constructing a new house: \$5,938

Average cost of constructing a new latrine: \$1,830

Average cost of constructing a borehole: \$6,900



Before intervention



After intervention

Habitat Malawi invites you to be a part of this important work!

